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Senate Republicans Elect New Leaders

Republicans in the Maryland Senate picked Martin G. Madden yesterday as their new minority leader, replacing F. Vernon Boozer (Baltimore County), who was defeated in his party primary.

Madden, 49, an insurance agent, was elected to the House of Delegates in 1990 and to the Senate in 1994, when he became the first Republican to represent Prince George's County in that body in 40 years. His district includes parts of Prince George's and Howard counties. Madden is considered a moderate with good relations with the Democratic leadership.

Republicans also elected Lowell J. Stoltzfus (R-Somerset) as their minority whip.